

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PATENT DIVISION

RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Applicant: Doyle W. Eakin) November 3, 2005
Appl. No.: 10/656,714) Attorney Docket No. RAR471.01
Filing Date: 09/04/2003) Group Art Unit 3643
Title: Plant Pot Drainage Tray) Examiner: Valenti, Andrea M.

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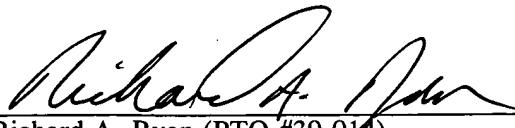
In response to the communication from the Examiner dated September 26, 2005, the applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.115, and reconsideration of the amended application be considered in light of the following:

1. The Examiner's Office Action dated May 3, 2005, provided for a three (3) month shortened statutory period, which expired August 3, 2005. This response/amendment is being filed on November 3, 2005, which is believed to be within the three month extension period in which to file a response/amendment. As a result, Applicant requests a three month extension and includes extension fee of \$510.00 for a small entity. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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1 2. This Response/Amendment is being transmitted in conjunction with a Request for
2 Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

3 3. The following materials are enclosed herewith to comply with the Revised
4 Amendment Practice set forth in 37 CFR § 1.121:

5 a. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page
6 3 of this Response/Amendment.

7 b. Remarks/arguments begin on page 8 of this Response/Amendment.

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9 Summary of Claims:

10 Kindly amend claims 1, 13 and 18.

11 Kindly cancel claims 9 and 10.
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